



## SPRING VALLEY FUDS

### MONTHLY PROJECT SUMMARY FOR

### JULY 2014

This monthly Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) project summary is provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District, as part of its ongoing efforts to make information regarding the neighborhood investigation more accessible to community members, elected officials, Restoration Advisory Board members, and other interested stakeholders. Specifically, the monthly update is produced to provide those who follow the project with a current snapshot of regulatory partnering, planning and field activities, and is not designed to provide historical information or an overview of the project. Those individuals interested in broader project information, or who have follow-up questions regarding this update, are invited to contact our Community Outreach Team at 410-962-0157. You may also contact our project regulatory partners, James Sweeney (DDOE) at 202-535-2289 or Steven Hirsh (US EPA) at 215-814-3352.

#### 4825 Glenbrook Road NW

- Based upon the knowledge we gained during our efforts under the first tent location at 4825 Glenbrook Road, plus past high probability operations at Spring Valley, we are adjusting our schedule for completion. This new project schedule indicates that we will complete high probability work in winter 2016/2017. Then the remaining low probability work would start in the winter of 2017, with an estimated completion in the spring of 2017. Site restoration would follow, and the property returned to American University in the summer of 2017. This revised schedule represents an additional year of work at 4825 Glenbrook Road, based on the June Monthly report. Our goal, however, is to continue to work safely and effectively so that we can finish earlier than 2017.
- In July, the crews removed the front foundation wall. Additionally, they continued to excavate and remove soil to remove all detected soil contamination. All materials were properly segregated and placed in containers for disposal.
- During the last week of July, an on-site Corps of Engineers geologist confirmed that the crews had reached competent saprolite (weathered rock) tent wide. With the geologist's affirmation, the crews completed the current high probability work under the first tent location and began preparations for the tent move activities.
- Due to the continued summer heat, we plan to continue working from 6 a.m. - 2 p.m., with no noise being made by our activities until 7 a.m. From 6 a.m. to 7 a.m., the site teams will be preparing for the day's work, without generating any noise at the site. We plan to continue this modified schedule until the end of September. This will allow us to continue to meet our schedule deadlines for the relocation of the tent.
- Safety continues to be our number one priority at the site. Throughout every phase of the project, all necessary precautions are taken to ensure the safety of the site workers, the residents of the community, and those passing by.
- As a reminder, the Shelter-in-Place program will pause during the tent relocation in August- October, and restart when high probability operations start up again in early November. Therefore there will be no monthly siren test in August – October. **No high probability excavation work will take place during the tent move operations.**
- To learn more about the high probability work please watch this interactive video found at: <http://youtu.be/yVws5UnBuZw>. We also have a video that shows the process that takes place during our current work in the engineering control structure. This particular video illustrates our operations on March 12, 2014: <http://bit.ly/glenbrookroad>

#### Groundwater Study

- USACE completed the spring semi-annual groundwater sampling event on July 8th as part of the extended groundwater monitoring program at 20 existing wells and 10 surface water locations. The sampling results are expected this fall.
- As part of the ongoing groundwater investigation, planning continued for the installation of two additional deep wells. One well will be placed on Sibley Hospital property. The other well will be placed on Rockwood Parkway, several feet away from the Rockwood Parkway island. USACE has made tentative plans to start drilling the two new wells the week of August 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Community Relations Plan Update

- The Spring Valley Community Relations Plan (CRP) has been updated and posted to the project website. The CRP is routinely updated. This recent updated CRP includes information from community interviews completed last summer, as well as an updated project history section. The CRP document can be found on the Spring Valley's website, under Project Documents on the left-side of the home page: [www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley](http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley)
- A hard copy of the CRP can be found at the Spring Valley Information Repository, located at the Tenley-Friendship Neighborhood Library, 4450 Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, D.C.

#### Website Information

- The digital archive of the Spring Valley project documents can be found at: <http://springvalley.ertcorp.com/>.
- For more information on Spring Valley projects, and to view site pictures and videos, visit our project website at: [www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley](http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley). Note: New pictures and updates are posted weekly on the 4825 Glenbrook Road page of the website.

#### Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

- The next RAB meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 9 at 7 pm**. Currently, the RAB meets every other month for about 60-90 minutes.
- The RAB currently meets in the 'Undercroft' meeting room at St. David's Episcopal Church, 5150 Macomb Street NW, Washington, D.C. These meetings are open to the public.

Visit the project website at [www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley](http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley)